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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated September 22, 2003, (Paper No. 7), for which a response was due on December 22, 2003. A three-month extension of time is requested to extend the time for response from December 22, 2003 to March 22, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

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